

Regarding the National Association of Broadcaster's (NAB) petition 04-160... I have been listening to XM satellite radio for about 6 months now and will never switch back to regular radio. I think it is far more significant than when radio went from AM to FM and nearly as significant as when TV first started broadcasting. It is clearly like going from the 3 or 4 channels of "air" TV to cable TV as I did when I was young... there is simply no way to ever go back. Satellite radio is available anywhere, instantly, unlike cable TV which took years to make its way to my rural area. It is available in areas that only have a handful of radio stations. It brings a wonderful variety of choices where there was none or very little choice before. It keeps Americans informed via several pure news channels which alone is probably worth the subscription fee plus has dozens of truly enjoyable entertainment channels.

Please DO NOT limit the capabilities of satellite radio providers in any way that would either detract from my listening enjoyment or cause me to pay more for this service. I remind you that this is not a free service that is trying to usurp regular broadcast stations but a fee based service that succeeds or fails based on its quality and diversity of content. Again, please do not limit that content.

I urge you to reject this petition.